

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 1 1. A method for providing print outcome notification, comprising the
2 steps of:
3 determining which print settings are selected;
4 determining whether one or more of the print settings is likely to adversely
5 affect a printing result; and
6 providing notification to a user that a selected print setting may result in an
7 adverse printing result.
- 1 2. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of determining which print
2 settings are selected comprises determining a print setting that has been selected by
3 the user.
- 1 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of determining which print
2 settings are selected comprises determining a current default print setting.
- 1 4. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of determining whether one or
2 more of the print settings is likely to adversely affect a printing result comprises
3 determining whether one or more of the print settings is likely to adversely affect at
4 least one of print quality, print speed, and consumption of a printing device
5 consumable.

1 5. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of providing notification
2 comprises facilitating presentation of a warning dialogue box to the user.

1 6. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of providing notification
2 comprises providing an indication of the degree of severity of the adverse result.

1 7. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of suggesting an
2 alternative print setting that will not likely result in an adverse printing result.

1 8. The method of claim 7, further comprising the step of automatically
2 adjusting a print setting for the user so as to avoid an adverse printing result.

1 9. A system for providing print outcome notification, comprising:
2 means for determining which print settings are selected;
3 means for determining whether one or more of the print settings is likely to
4 adversely affect a printing result; and
5 means for providing notification to a user that a selected print setting may
6 result in an adverse printing result.

1 10. The system of claim 9, wherein the means for determining whether one
2 or more of the print settings is likely to adversely affect a printing result comprise
3 means for determining whether one or more of the print settings is likely to adversely
4 affect at least one of print quality, print speed, and consumption of a printing device
5 consumable.

11. The system of claim 9, wherein the means for providing notification
comprise means for facilitating presentation of a warning dialogue box to the user.

12. The system of claim 9, further comprising means for suggesting an
alternative print setting that will not likely result in an adverse printing result.

13. A system that includes software configured to provide print outcome
notification, comprising:
logic configured to determine which print settings are selected;
logic configured to determine whether one or more of the print settings is
likely to adversely affect a printing result; and
logic configured to provide notification to a user that a selected print setting
may result in an adverse printing result.

14. The system of claim 13, wherein the logic configured to determine
whether one or more of the print settings is likely to adversely affect a printing result
comprises logic configured to determine whether one or more of the print settings is
likely to adversely affect at least one of print quality, print speed, and consumption of
a printing device consumable.

15. The system of claim 13, wherein the logic configured to provide
notification comprises logic configured to facilitate presentation of a warning dialogue
box to the user.

